A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Another exciting month. Got a lot done. Thanks for everybody helping on the con. Check out the Hugos nominees. We should try and read a nominated novel. The short fiction will be up online soon, so we may want to do a discussion on the short fiction.

Next month the Nebulas and maybe if I find the time a quick review.

Events

Anime Supercon
April 13-15 -
The Inverarry Hotel
3501 Inverarry Blvd.
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33319
Guests:: Dana Snyder (Aqua teen Hunger Force)
Christine Auten (Full Metal Alchemist)
Mike McFarland (Full Metal Alchemist)
Christine Auten (Full Metal Alchemist)
Spike Spencer (Neon Genesis Evangelion)
Johnny Youg Bosch (Bleach)
$25 for three days($20 before April 11)
www.animesupercon.com/

SciFi Lite
Friday, April 20, 7:00 PM,
Perkins Restaurant
11662 University Blvd.
(between Alafaya Trail and Rouse Road)
Book: Sweet Silver Blues by Glen Cook

Collector’s Comics Comic Con
April 22
Port St. Lucie Community Center
2195 SE Airoso Blvd
Port St. Lucie, FL
Guests: Ethan Van Sciver (artist Batman and Green Lantern and more)
John Beatty (artist Captain America, Punisher and more)
Admission: $5
http://collectorscomics.net/Comic_Con.html

Orlando Area Science Fiction Society Business Meeting Minutes for 11 February 2007

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 PM at the Orlando Public Library by Patricia Wheeler.

Thirteen people were in attendance. Of those, ten had paid OASFiS dues for 2007. Attendance: Susan Cole, Mike Conrad, Arthur Dykeman, Jay Eichelberger, Marine Fourrier, Mike Pilletere, Jim Riley, Juan Sanmiguel, Pat Sims, Roger Sims, Dick Spelman, Patricia Wheeler, Yvonne Wisdom

Officers Reports

President:
Patricia wished Pat Sims a happy birthday. She announced that Pat Sims had resigned, in late January, as Vice President so that she could concentrate on the Sims upcoming move. Patricia also announced that the Board had appointed Juan as interim Vice President.

Treasurer:
Michael Pilletere reported that we have $7,273.91 in the checking account. The breakdown is $1,099.56 in OASFiS funds, $3,505.08 from previous conventions, $1,366.27 from Oasis 19, and $1,303.00 for Oasis 20. We also have $55.85 in the scholarship fund account. There is a total of $73.95 in outstanding checks. Of the outstanding checks, $51.70 are less than 6 months old and $22.25 are older than 6 months.

Secretary:
The official names and contact information on the post office box have been changed. In addition to Susan Cole, Mike Pilletere has also been designated as signatory on the USPS PO Box form. He has also been given a key to the PO Box.

Susan has also written up a procedure, including examples of the USPS government forms, for this USPS requirement.

Business:
Patricia announced that Peter had sent an e-mail that morning to

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April OASFiS Calendar

OASFiS Business Meeting
Sunday, April 15, 1:30 PM, Orange Public Library (Downtown Orlando, 101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801, 407.835.7323). Come join us as we discuss *Sanitago* by Mike Resnick

To contact for more info:
OASFiS Business Meeting 407-823-8715

Any of these people can give readers information about the club and its functions. To be included in the list call Juan.

OASFiS People

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Due to the immediacy of this issue, all old business including by-laws discussion was tabled.

Juan Sanmiguel and Marine Fourrier were elected co-Convention Chairpersons for Oasis 20.

Juan and Patricia are to visit Peter after today's meeting and pickup as much paperwork as possible especially a copy of the hotel contract. Juan will arrange pick up of the remaining items according to his and Peter's schedule. A copy of the hotel contract should be provided to everyone.

We discussed that a postcard or flyer mailing needs to be done immediately. $300 was authorized to be spent. Susan Cole is to arrange the mailing using the OASFiS database.

Flyers are to be taken to LibertyCon next weekend.

Marine to check on printing flyers for distribution since she is “near” the printer that Peter had an arrangement with.

Flyer to be taken to MegaCon in Orlando next weekend.

Juan to talk to Patty Russell about media publicity.

Marine to talk to hotel and book a meeting with the convention sales staff.

Juan to contact guests and reconfirm. Juan to also contact FRAG and Gerry Ruiz.

Peter has control of the website, server, and domain name. Juan to ask Peter to change website contact to Mike Pilletere. Mike will work with Peter to convert to OASFiS possession and move to an another server.

Jay Eichelberger inquired about Toni Weisskopf. The Sims and Dick Spelman to talk to her at ConCave.

Mike Pilletere will continue with the Art Show with Kim's help. Mike has received the list of artist and their addresses, the Art Show forms, and other Art Show information from Terry Dahl. Susan will add the Artist information to the OASFiS database by scanning and OCR'ing the printed sheets. She will then provide Mike with an electronic version.

Arthur will continue with the Video Room.

Jay to contact Bonnie about the Con Suite.

Due to Dave Ratti's new job, he needs to resign as Dealers' Room Manager. Dick Spelman will take back the Dealers' Room. Dealers' Room rate to be $55 including a single membership. Information from the dealers table check(s) that was deposited in late 2006 should be found so that Dick can verify membership on his list. Any dealers check that arrives at the mailbox should have a photocopy provided to Dick. The actual check will be held by Mike until Dick says ok.

Patty to continue with Green Room.

Susan to continue with Registration.

Sales to members, possibly to be Frank LeBlanc and Debb Canaday.

Program Book will be done by Juan.

Mike Conrad will be hosting a book launch party in a suite paid

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for by him.

Susan to contact Scholarship winner.

Possibly, Mike Conrad or Richard Lee Byers to MC costume contest, charity auction, and art auction.

Thursday night dinner to be looked at by Jay. Possible attendance of 40 people.

Susan received an e-mail from someone indicating that Larry Niven is scheduled for another convention the same weekend as Oasis 20. Has Larry Niven cancelled? Juan to verify.

Possibility to have cake decorated with the art work for one of the weekend functions?

Mike Conrad to continue with T-shirt and contact the Spiveys. He brought another example of the partially completed T-shirt artwork. Mike Conrad will provide the badge art to Susan.

Jay suggested that the artwork would look good on a stamp for our mailing. It was mentioned that there are official sites that can turn it into a stamp. Jay and Mike logged on to check the cost. Jay will work with Mike to get the artwork to have stamps printed. We authorized 25 sheets of 20 0.39 cent stamps each. Jay will pick up the difference between the actual cost of the stamps and their postage value. 15 sheets will be given to Susan for the publicity mailing. The others will be given to Mike Pilletere for his art show mailing. Susan will do a flyer mailing instead of a postcard.

Juan was nominated for Vice President by Pat Sims. It was seconded by Dick Spelman. Juan Sanmiguel was elected VP.

Sci-Fi Lite will discuss *Draco’s Tavern* at the Roadhouse Grill on the 16th. Gail will pre-order your dinner, if you contact her.

No book discussion this month. *Mote in God’s Eye* for March. April to either be *Seeker* by McDevitt or *Santiago* by Mike Resnick.

Yvonne provided souvenir pens for everyone and announced her upcoming book discussion and signing on Sunday, February 25th at 2 PM.

Pat and Roger have some shuttle pictures available and would like to see who would be interested in them. Since there was several people interested, the pictures were auctioned for the benefit of the hospitality funds.

Meeting adjoined at 3:45 PM.
take most of the new batch of cards and some flyers to the Florida Film Festival at the Enzion in late March. Joe Haldemen will be in attendance.

Susan Cole will talk about the picnic and make final plans during the April meeting.

The By-Law changes were discussed. The changes will be published in the April Event Horizon and voted on at the April meeting. Susan brought up additional changes to be discussed.

Article I.1.D is a little restrictive, tightened and allow the option for receipt of dues at the PO Box. It is possible that the Treasurer might not be at a meeting after money has been received at the PO Box. Also, we may want to allow money to be received by other officers from the Board of Directors – just in case the Treasurer is not available. It was decided to leave as is, since the Treasurer is responsible for monies.

Article II.1 should add Volusia County to the list or change verbiage to be more inclusive of Central Florida areas. Currently, Frank LeBlanc lives in Volusia county. Pat and Roger Sims will be moving to Volusia County during the spring. Dick Spelman will probably be moving to Volusia County before summer. Volusia County is generally considered part of Central Florida. Since our annual meeting is also generally held in conjunction with our holiday party, it makes sense not to excluded any of our members from holding this event. Verbiage to further define or broadened was considered, but it was considered to vague. It was decided to leave as is, since traveling to counties any further than those listed may be difficult for some members.

In Article III.1, the words “regular and family” should be changed to “voting” to match the other similar changes. This was accepted.

Also in Article III.1 change the sentence: “The Convention Chairperson shall take office on the last day of the annual convention.” to “The Convention Chairperson shall take office immediately after the last day of the annual convention.”

In Article III.8, Susan still has a concern about the Convention Chairperson having a vote on the Board of Directors. The Convention Chairperson is responsible for overseeing the bulk of the income and expenditures, via the annual convention, and has had very little over site in previous years. There is still concern, even with the revisions to the by-laws, that we may continue with this problem. However, most of the attendees to the meeting feel that to not allow the Convention Chairperson some authority on the board would make holding the Convention Chairperson position untenable. It was decided to leave it as is. Also, in the event of co-Convention Chairpersons, they split the single vote among themselves, not one vote each.

In Article IV.3.B, Susan has some concerns about the new verbiage. The way the new wording is phrased, it would require a vote as a serious matter to overrule any decision by a single officer. It is fine that decision by the Board must be overruled as a serious matter, since it is assumed that the decision has been discussed by the members of the Board. However, any single decision of an officer, in not in discussion with the Board, should be allowed to be overruled by a simple majority. It was decided that the verbiage should continue to only overrule the Board as a serious matter, but continue with the simple majority overrule of a single officer.

Due to the fact that if these new by-law pass, we will be in immediate violation of them since Juan is both VP and Co-ConChair. Marine proposes that we suspend enforcement of the new by-laws until after the convention. Arthur Dykeman seconds the proposal. The proposal passes.

New Business:

Patty Russell needs interested parties to work the phone lines at the WMFE Celtic Women fund raiser. Please contact her if interested.

Sci-Fi Lite will move its March meeting to the Perkins on University near Alafaya. The restaurant has recently been remodeled and has a separate room available for the meetings. Gail will send out the new address to everyone.

Judy Bemis is still in ORMC in room 547. The phone # in her room is 321-841-0632. She would appreciate visits and calls.

Pat and Roger Sims are having a garage sale at their house from 9-3 on Friday and Saturday, the 16th and 17th.

Sandy Shriver is hospitalized with a TIA in Florida Hospital near Princeton St. Please ask for Alexandria Shrivers since she is listed under her legal name.

Astronomy Day on Saturdays in April at OSC and Brevard. Philip would like to set a table with our flyers. Talk to Patty Russell about doing OSC.

Convention Report:

All guests of honor travel arrangements have been made and confirmed.

The chili cook-off may need to be combined with a meet and greet since the new hotel sales staff are concerned about cooking in the con suite. The old green room suites have been converted to offices. The old con suite area is under renovation The hotel will instead provided 4 extra rooms near the convention for green room, con suite, and overflow. Discussion of the green room and con suite situation will be on-going at the con com meetings.

The old video suite is also under renovation. Video programming has been moved to the Biscayne Suite in the Tower.

Debb Canaday has located various local community web sites to list our convention. Debb will attempt to list us on as many of those local calendars as possible.

Oasis 20 has taken out an ad in the JACON program book.
Mike Pilletere has completely migrated the OASFiS / Oasis website. The current Oasis 20 membership list has been uploaded.

Mike Pilletere is continuing with the art show mailing. Ten artist have paid. Twenty-two other artists have responded, but not paid yet. Mike is still trying to decide how much panel space to give guest. 3 panels for each guest possible, with extra unsold panels passed on to them also.

Marine would like to have the Dealers Room entrance funneled through the Art Show.

Twelve paid tables. Check coming for 4 or 5 more. Everyone from last year notified. Checking on Waldens at Fashion Square or some other bookstore having a table for new books by our authors.

Programming may have an extra track on Saturday in the Tower.

The T-shirt art is still in process. Juan would like the Spivey’s contacted by the end of March to discuss the T-shirts. Mary Hanson-Roberts has not responded to Mike about her portion of the art work. It was suggested that he try her through her eBay account e-mail.

The next Con Com meeting will be March 25th, preferably at Alafaya Trail. Susan will make a reservation and let everyone know.

Susan will calculate some possible single day convention prices for approval to place on the website.

Mike Conrad donated a drawing for the hospitality fund raffle.

A reminder that the April meeting will be the third Sunday, April 15th.

Greetings Florida Science Fiction Fan,

The Orlando Area Science Fiction Society (OASFiS) wishes to invite you to a picnic on Sunday, April 22nd at Downey Park in east Orlando. We have reserved a covered pavilion (Pavilion # 1) with picnic tables and a grill for cooking. The festivities will start around 12:30 PM with the food service starting about 1 PM. The park closes at 8 PM.

OASFiS is providing hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, condiments, chips, drinks, and assorted homemade munchies. You may, if you wish, bring a small covered dish or anything special that you feel appropriate or necessary for a successful picnic. (Note: The Orange County Parks & Recreation department forbids alcoholic beverages in their parks, so please abide by their rules.) If you have folding chairs, picnic blankets or suitable games, you may wish to bring them.

Come meet with some of the other local people interested in science fiction and have a fun afternoon in a relaxing, outdoor atmosphere before the weather gets really HOT. To show our appreciation for those attending our event, we will be having a “free book table” from which you may choose a book or two of various titles – mostly science fiction, but some non-science fiction.

The park is located on Lake Downey at the southeast corner of Dean Road and Colonial Drive in Orlando. The park is easily accessible via the East-West Expressway (State Road 408) and Dean Road or via Colonial Drive. Entrance to the park is at 10107 Flowers Ave off Dean Rd just south of Colonial. Pavilion # 1 is in the area closest to the entrance. Plentiful parking is available within the park at our pavilion.

Downey Park has rest room facilities. The children's play area is on the opposite side of the park from the pavilion that we have rented, but reasonably accessible. There are trees that provide cooling shade. Since the pavilion is covered we should be protected in case of mildly inclement weather. There is also a lake for swimming, so bring your swim suits. Additional information about Downey Park's amenities and a link to a map can be obtained at:

http://www.orangecountyfl.net/dept/cesrvcs/parks/ParkDetails.asp?ParkID=14

We also are hoping to have some information posted at our website: www.oasfis.org

To determine how much food to purchase, we would like to know if you are planning to attend. Advance notice is NOT required, but it will help us. Please either 1) send an e-mail to picnic2007@mindspring.com; or 2) call Susan's cell at (407)913-4776 anytime. Just let us know your name and the total number of attendees in your group. For e-mails, to help with SPAM detection, please try to put the words "OASFiS" & "picnic" somewhere in the subject line. Feel free to call or e-mail if you need addition information or directions.

If you know of any other Florida fen, that might be interested in attending, feel free to pass along/forward this invitation.

Thank you,

Susan Cole and Gail Sullivan

Picnic Organizers
2007 Hugo and Campbell Awards Nominations
(Source Locus website)

Nippon 2007, the 65th World Science Fiction Convention to be held in Yokohama, Japan, August 30 - September 3, 2007, has released nominations for this year's Hugo Awards, and for the John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer. This year's Hugos include for the first time two categories for best editor, short form and long form. The listing here is alphabetical first by title, then by nominee.

NOVEL
- **Blindsight**, Peter Watts (Tor)
- **Eifelheim**, Michael Flynn (Tor)
- **Glasshouse**, Charles Stross (Ace)
- **His Majesty's Dragon**, Naomi Novik (Ballantine Del Rey; Voyager as Temeraire)
- **Rainbows End**, Vernor Vinge (Tor)

NOVELLA
- "Inclination", William Shunn (Asimov's Apr/May 2006)
- Julian: A Christmas Story, Robert Charles Wilson (PS Publishing)
- "Lord Weary's Empire", Michael Swanwick (Asimov's Dec 2006)
- "The Walls of the Universe", Paul Melko (Asimov's Apr/May 2006)

NOVELETTE
- "All the Things You Are", Mike Resnick (Jim Baen's Universe Oct 2006)
- "The Djinn's Wife", Ian McDonald (Asimov's Jul 2006)
- "Pol Pot's Beautiful Daughter (Fantasy)", Geoff Ryman (F&SF Oct 2006)
- "Yellow Card Man", Paolo Bacigalupi (Asimov's Dec 2006)

SHORT STORY
- "Eight Episodes", Robert Reed (Asimov's Jun 2006)
- "The House Beyond Your Sky", Benjamin Rosenbaum
  (Strange Horizons Sep 2006)
- "How to Talk to Girls at Parties", Neil Gaiman (Fragile Things)
- "Impossible Dreams", Tim Pratt (Asimov's Jul 2006)
- "Kin", Bruce McAllister (Asimov's Feb 2006)

RELATED BOOK
- **Cover Story: The Art of John Picacio**, John Picacio (MonkeyBrain Books)
- **James Tiptree, Jr.: The Double Life of Alice B. Sheldon**, Julie Phillips (St. Martin's)
- **Worldcon Guest of Honor Speeches**, Mike Resnick & Joe Siclari, eds. (ISFiC)

DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: LONG FORM
- **Children of Men** (Screenplay by Alfonso Cuaron and Timothy J. Sexton. Directed by Alfonso Cuaron. Universal Pictures)
- **Pan's Labyrinth** (Screenplay by Guillermo del Toro. Directed by Guillermo del Toro. Picturehouse)
- **The Prestige** (Screenplay by Jonathan Nolan and Christopher Nolan. Directed by Christopher Nolan. Touchstone Pictures.)
- **A Scanner Darkly** (Screenplay by Richard Linklater. Directed by Richard Linklater. Warner Independent Pictures.)
- **V for Vendetta** (Screenplay by David Lloyd. Directed by James McTeigue. Warner Bros.)

DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: SHORT FORM
- **Battlestar Galactica: Downloaded** (Writers Bradley Thompson and David Weddle. Directed by Jeff Woolnough. NBC Universal/British Sky.)
- **Doctor Who**: Girl in the Fireplace (Written by Steven Moffat. Directed by Euros Lyn. BBC Wales/BBC1.)
- **Doctor Who**: School Reunion (Written by Toby Whithouse. Directed by James Hawes. BBC Wales/BBC1.)
- **Doctor Who**: Army of Ghosts and Doomsday (Written by Russell T. Davies. Directed by Graeme Harper. BBC Wales/BBC1.)
- **Stargate SG-1**: 200 (Written by Brad Wright, Robert C.

**EDITOR, SHORT FORM**
- Gardner Dozois (The Year’s Best Science Fiction)
- David G. Hartwell (Year’s Best SF / New York Review of Science Fiction)
- Stanley Schmidt (Analog)
- Gordon Van Gelder (F&SF)
- Sheila Williams (Asimov’s)

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- Lou Anders (Pyr)
- James Patrick Baen (Baen)
- Ginjer Buchanan (Ace)
- David G. Hartwell (Tor)
- Patrick Nielsen Hayden (Tor)

**PROFESSIONAL ARTIST**
- Bob Eggleton
- Donato Giancola
- Stephan Martiniere
- John Jude Palencar
- John Picacio

**SEMIPROZINE**
- *Ansible*, Dave Langford
- *Interzone*, Andy Cox
- *Lady Churchill's Rosebud Wristlet*, Gavin Grant & Kelly Link
- *Locus*, Charles N. Brown, Kirsten Gong-Wong & Liza Groen Trombi

**FANZINE**
- *Banana Wings*, Claire Brialey & Mark Plummer

- *Challenger*, Guy H. Lillian III
- *The Drink Tank*, Chris Garcia
- *Plokta*, Alison Scott, Steve Davies & Mike Scott
- *Science-Fiction Five-Yearly*, Lee Hoffman, Geri Sullivan & Randy Byers

**FAN WRITER**
- Chris Garcia
- John Hertz
- Dave Langford
- John Scalzi
- Steven H Silver

**FAN ARTIST**
- Brad W. Foster
- Teddy Harvia
- Sue Mason
- Steve Stiles
- Frank Wu

John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer [Not a Hugo]

- Scott Lynch (first year of eligibility)
- Sarah Monette (second year of eligibility)
- Naomi Novik (first year of eligibility)
- Brandon Sanderson (second year of eligibility)
- Lawrence M. Schoen (second year of eligibility)
OASIS 20
May 25 - 27, 2007

For our 20th anniversary, we've invited back several past Guests of Honor!

Returning Guests of Honor:
Joe Haldeman
Mike Resnick
Michael Bishop
Kathleen Ann Goonan
Jack McDevitt
Robert J. Sawyer

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Mention OASIS for rate

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$35 at the door

Make checks payable to:
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Orlando, FL 32859-2905

Keep tuned to http://www.oasfis.org
for more guest announcements...

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Mary Hanson-Roberts
Mike Conrad
Stanley Morrison
Paul Vincenti

Returning Filk GOH:
Tom Smith

Plus the usual suspects...

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